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FOREWORD

SELDOM does the American Academy publish doctors' dissertations. This dissertation by Miss Sadie T. Mossell, however, is so replete with interesting information as to the life of migrant Negro families in Philadelphia and the thesis is so suggestive, not only as to methods but as to conclusions, that we are glad indeed to have the opportunity to publish it.

It was not without significance that Miss Mossell is one of three colored women who were first to receive the degree of doctor of philosophy in this country, and these three degrees were all conferred in June of this year (1921).

The Academy sends out this monograph with the hope that it may stimulate other students, particularly of the colored race, to devote their scientific attainments to a study of living and industrial conditions among the Negroes in this country.

CLYDE L. KING,
Editor.